## Letter to the Editor

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Stable housing is a core determinant of personal health and well-being. When housing opportunities are readily available, it's less likely households will become homeless. Lower income families are more likely to thrive in employment, health and education benefitting the entire community.

Marta Loachamin, candidate for Boulder County Commissioner District 2, is a leader who has worked for decades to help families gain access to affordable housing through financial education and home ownership, changing the course of lives.

The economic downturn caused by COVID-19 has created extensive housing insecurity for both renters and homeowners. Marta will use her skills obtained working as a Resiliency Specialist on community needs after the 2013 catastrophic flood. Those skills will help our community recover from the adversity caused by the pandemic.

Marta's past work to document the experience of the underserved population has led to the development of a pilot program of Boulder County to improve community resilience after an emergency or disaster. In this a time of great challenges, Marta is just the person needed to help our community target efforts to recover from the downturn and create equitable support for all people experiencing housing insecurity.

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